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## DEFECTORS AND DOUBLE AGENTS--

The Central Intelligence Agency is being blamed by the media and, in fact, by the administration for intelligence failures in connection with the events in Iran, Afghanistan and elsewhere. The truth of the matter is that there are many loyal agents serving throughout the world, often at the risk of their lives, who have supplied detailed and accurate information which somehow never reaches the top policy makers in our government. On the other hand, there are CIA officials who deliberately are involved in cover-ups, giving out false information, supporting leftist causes and even in "executive action" matters (assassinations).

An unusual case came to light concerning former high CIA official John Arthur Paisley who supposedly committed suicide on September 24, 1978. The CIA has considerable influence in the news and electronic media; in fact, it has been established that they have recruited many agents among journalists. Investigative reporter Joe Trento conducted an exhaustive investigation concerning the case of John Arthur Paisley and it was Penthouse magazine which revealed the results of his investigation rather than the wire services and main newspapers. A few facts from Joe Trento's research follow.

The CIA recently tried to palm off the death of John Arthur Paisley as the suicide of a depressed, financially strapped, long-since-retired analyst of Soviet defense spending. But none of this explanation was true. The bizarre case has raised questions that go to the heart of America's national security. In fact, according to Paisley's wife, Maryann, there is serious question whether the body discovered in Chesapeake Bay was that of her husband.

In the Paisley case serious failures of CIA security have been revealed, causing the Senate's intelligence committee to intensify its investigation concerning the presence of a Russian spy, or "mole," in the CIA. The Defense Department, through its own investigation, is fearful that America's spy-satellite surveillance system has been compromised by the loss of more than 100 secret documents dealing with that system, thereby jeopardizing our nation's ability to verify Russian compliance with a future SALT II agreement. These and other investigations by the FBI and the National Security Agency suggest that the apparent death of John Arthur Paisley, or whoever was found in Chesapeake Bay, is the tip of a spy scandal iceberg.

On Sunday morning September 24, 1978 Paisley set out for a sail on his sloop, Brillig, taking along a report he was writing for the CIA. On Monday his empty boat ran aground and was boarded by the Coast Guard which notified the CIA after Coastguardsmen looked through his briefcase. Within a few minutes after the CIA had been notified, Mrs. Maryann Paisley was picked up by Phillip Waggoner, the man who had relieved Paisley upon his retirement as the CIA's deputy director of strategic research. She was separated from her husband and they were in the throes of working out a divorce settlement. Mrs. Paisley was whisked to the downtown Washington apartment building at 1500 Massachusetts Avenue where John Paisley kept an apartment. They were allowed into Paisley's eighth floor, one-bedroom apartment and, with Mrs. Paisley's permission, several CIA-related documents were removed from the apartment.

During the investigation into Paisley's "disappearance" it was learned that Paisley shared his Washington apartment house with eleven employees of the Russian embassy. He had lived on the eighth floor where eight of the Russians also had apartments. As is well known, most Soviet embassy employees are operatives for the KGB. Paisley's biographic sketch told of his work on several national-intelligence estimates and stated: "This has involved him intimately in the continuing intelligence assessments of Soviet military priorities and goals and the particular choices of weapons, forces, and strategies through which the Soviet Union seeks to achieve its objectives."

The man who was fingerprinted by the FBI in 1940 and identified as "Jack Paisley" was recruited into the Merchant Marine in 1941 as the United States prepared for war. Paisley served out the first two years of his Approved For Release 2007/06/14: CIA-RDP99-00498R000100160020-5